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Echo of restobar fire tragedy

MCC seals 9 restaurants

Notice issued to 16; three more restaurants to be sealed in city

Mysuru, June 20 (MTY&BS)- In a major crackdown on restaurants being run without trade licence and adopting any fire safety measures in nine Zones of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), nine food joints have been sealed, besides serving notice on 16, directions issued to three restaurants to install fire safety measures and proposal submitted to seal three more restaurants.

This action comes close on the heels of a fire accident at a restobar in Dattagalli on June 15, where two cooks were charred to death, while six others suffered burns and are undergoing treatment at various hospitals in city.

During their inspection, MCC officials are focusing mainly on fire safety norms, trade licence, utility of the building, public safety, cleanliness, hygiene and other key precautions.

(See MCC on page 5)

MCC gangmen sealing a restaurant in Zone-4 limits in city yesterday as Zonal Commissioner G.S. Mahesh Kumar** (centre), **Development Officer Sathyamurthy and Environment Engineer Sridevi look on.

Ashada Friday atop Chamundi Hill

Pramoda Devi consents for vehicle parking at *'SHASHIRANJAN'* Grounds

Mysuru, June 20 (BS)- Erstwhile Mysore Royal Family Member Pramoda Devi Wadiyar has given her consent to the request of the District Administration to allow parking of vehicles at *SHASHIRANJAN* Grounds (previously called Lalitha Mahal / MDA Grounds) during *Ashada* Friday atop Chamundi Hill Temple in July-August.

In a letter of permission issued to Deputy Commissioner (DC) G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, Pramoda Devi has stated as follows: *"I am happy to permit the use of the SHASHIRANJAN Grounds belonging to me, situated on Kanteerava Narasimharaja Boulevard / T. Narasipura Road, for vehicle parking for the required period to facilitate ease and convenience of devotees for Goddess Chamundeshwari Temple visit atop Chamundi Hill during the said period."*

The DC had met Pramoda Devi yesterday at her residential wing in Mysore Palace and submitted the request for vehicle parking at the Grounds.

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SOM Reality Check at wine stores

'High' on violations...

Excise Commissioner forms four Special Teams to check and prepare a comprehensive report

Mysuru, June 20 (BLU&BS)- Even as the Urban Development (UD) Minister Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah minced no words in acknowledging the lapses on the part of Excise Department in checking illegal liquor business, there is no stop yet on violations.

When *Star of Mysore* conducted a reality check after the recent fatal fire at a restobar in Dattagalli that claimed the lives of two cooks and left six others injured with burns, there were grave violations which came to notice, especially at wine stores operating on CL-2 type licence to sell Indian Made Liquor (IML) and Foreign Made Liquor (FML). Such licencees are permitted to sell bottled liquor, but there is no permission to allow consumption of liquor at the same premises.

But, dim lit rooms are built attached to the wine stores, to allow the customers to down a peg or two, in clear violation of the licence norms. It is an open secret that a wine store usually has another structure right next door with its own nameboard but it actually belongs to the wine store itself. In this space, people who buy liquor from the wine store and go and consume it along with snacks provided there, essentially convert this wine store into a bar and restaurant.

In Mysuru city, there are 104 wine stores possessing CL-2 licence, but many of them are operating like a bar and restaurant.

Apart from wine stores, there are 103 bar and restaurants having CL-9 licence, 103 CL-7 licence given to hotels and 11 Mysore Sales International Limited (MSIL) liquor outlets under CL-11(C) licence and 19 Recreation Clubs falling under CL-4 licence.

State Excise Commissioner R. Venkatesh Kumar said, four Special Teams are being formed to regulate illegal liquor outlets.

Venkatesh Kumar further said, if illegal activities come to notice, action will be initiated against the owners, either by booking cases or imposing penalty. The Commissioner added that instructions have been given to officers to submit a comprehensive report after carrying out inspections.

Excise DC cuts call

When *Star of Mysore* tried to reach Excise Deputy Commissioner S. Nagarajappa over phone, his mobile phone number was not reachable. The buzz is that Nagarajappa, who is facing consequences over sitting lame on the illegal restobar that went up in flames, where liquor was also being supplied in violation of norms, has switched off his phone.

Earlier in the morning, when *Star of Mysore* reporter called Nagarajappa, he picked up the phone but when asked about the continued operation of illegal bar and restaurant with just wine store licence, he cut the call.

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Saturday 20th June 2026

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

THE STOIC ANTIDOTE TO AN AGE OF EXCESS:

In times defined by excesses and exhibitionism, glitz and glamour, technology and commerce come together to indulge every desire and caprice with abundant choice. Our homes are full of gadgets that are meant to ease the drudgery of daily living but ironically leave little time for ourselves, let alone others. The workplaces that welcomed their clientele with a smile and anticipation are full of individuals lost in their systems and devices and barely have time for a weary nod. A sense of ennui, emotional lethargy and a pervasive sense of lack when we have it all.

In such a situation we turn for a refreshing change to the age of the Stoics, the ancient Greek and Roman philosophers and the virtues they preached. Stoicism is the ancient Hellenistic philosophy that offers lessons in self-mastery and resilience. It teaches that while you cannot control events that happen to you, you have absolute control over your judgement and responses. Stoicism is a movement towards life reduced to essentials, stripped of redundancies. It is a highly evolved mind that understands that it is better to need less than to want to have more. We need homes, not mansions; we need uncluttered drawing rooms with gleaming surfaces without expensive artefacts. We need the green outdoors, not manicured gardens with keep-off-the-grass signs.

For the Stoic philosophers, virtue is sufficient for happiness. Thus, a sage would be emotionally resilient to misfortune and would therefore be considered truly free. Diogenes, the Greek Stoic philosopher who gave rise to the school of cynicism, emphasised rejection of superficial desires of power, possession and even reputation in favour of a life of honesty, freedom and asceticism. True freedom comes not from ruling over others but from needing nothing at all. He challenged societal norms by living in a barrel and wandering in public spaces with a lighted lantern and proclaimed himself "a citizen of the world." In a memorable encounter with Alexander the Great, who asked him what he could give him, Diogenes' terse reply was, "Yes, stand a little out of my sun." Alexander, marvelling at him, famously told his courtiers, 'But verily if I were not Alexander, I would be Diogenes.' While it is not necessary to become ascetics, let there be moderation in our hectic lifestyles, a stepping back that can make us happier.

—Sudha Devi Nayak in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Pyramid shaped apartment

Beijing: Located in Kunshan's trendy Huaqiao district, the commonly known Pyramid of Kunshan is one of the most famous apartment buildings in China. It was completed in 2013 and has since become one of the Chinese city's most popular tourist attractions.

Unlike true pyramids, the 18-storey Pyramid of Kunshan has two vertical exterior walls, but the other two are slanted, with apartments cascading at a 45-degree angle and creating an impressive visual effect. Masters' Architectural Office, the architecture firm behind the project, was reportedly inspired by traditional Chinese terraced rice fields when designing the building.

Although the building's unique design means that each apartment on the cascading side comes with a big terrace, the building as a whole faces challenges in ventilation and lighting the interior spaces, while the complicated design also impacts fire safety.

Monk hasn't sat down in five years

New Delhi: Daulat Giri Ji Maharaj is an ascetic monk who has been standing continuously for five years after vowing not to sit or lie down for 12 years.

Photos and clips of Dulal Giri Ji Maharaj, show him resting on a hanging swing with severely swollen and blackened legs. The lack of movement and the constant standing — even while sleeping — have negatively impacted his circulation and general health, and many fear that his legs will need to be amputated long before he reaches his 12-year goal.

Doctors have warned that prolonged standing causes venous pressure to rise, which results in swelling and pain, which can degenerate into life-threatening conditions.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Myth Buster

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By Dr. Ravi S. - Consultant Dermatology and Cosmetology - Manipal Hospitals Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

**** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

'Parameshi Prema Prasanga' to be staged in city on Sunday

Mysuru, June 20 - City- based amateur theatre group Rangavalli Mysuru, in association with the Department of Kannada and Culture, will be staging the comedy play 'Parameshi Prema Prasanga' on June 21 (Sunday) at Kiru Rangamandira in Kalamandira premises at 6.30 pm. The play written by Srinivas Prabhu is directed by Raviprasad.

'Parameshi Prema Prasanga' is a hilarious flow of comedy featuring a medley of characters which includes Parameshi, who struggles to win over Rashmi; Krishnoji, a staunch bachelor captivated by Shantaladevi's eyes; Vyakularaya, who is determined to become a poet; Ambabai, who keeps her husband under her thumb; the forgetful Bhutanatha; the gluttonous Desai; a 'gentleman' ex-robber and Chenni, who can snatch a necklace in the blink of an eye.

Well-known stage designer H.K. Dwarakanath has designed the stage while lighting is by Madhu Neenasam, music management by Manju Mangala, make-up by C.V. Saritha and costumes by Hariprasad.

The entry fee for the play is Rs. 100 each and tickets are available on the spot as well as online. For more details contact Mob: 99646-56482.

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Santa: *Yes yes. I'm changing the battery of my camera!!*

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VOICE OF THE READER

70-year-old clears UoM's Ph.D entrance exam... but

Sir,

At the age of 70, I cleared the University of Mysore (UoM) Ph.D entrance examination in Sociology in December 2024 with 63% marks, standing fifth in the general merit list.

What followed was an eighteen-month wait for a research guide. I have now been informed that a guide is not available.

Throughout this period, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. N.K. Lokanath and Registrar (Evaluation) Dr. Nagaraja, treated me with courtesy and respect, for which I remain grateful.

There is no grievance in this reflection. Sometimes, despite goodwill on all sides, a dream simply cannot find a home.

The lesson I take away is simple: Pursue your aspirations wholeheartedly, but do not let any single aspiration define your worth.

I may not become a Ph.D scholar, but I remain a student of society.

—Mohan Sundar Rajan
Jayalakshmipuram
13.6.2026

Dist. Administration gears up for smooth conduct of NEET re-exam

7,886 students to write exam from 2 pm to 5 pm at 21 centres across city

Mysuru, June 20 (MTY&DM)- With the NTA (National Testing Authority) scheduled to hold NEET (National Eligibility cum Entrance Test) re-exam for admission to Undergraduate courses in Medical Colleges tomorrow (June 21), the District Administration is taking all measures for ensuring smooth conduct of the exam.

Additional Deputy Commissioner R. Aishwarya, who chaired a preparatory meeting of officials at the DC's Office in Siddarthanagar yesterday, said that the exam will take place from 2 pm to 5 pm at 21 centres across the city, for which 7,886 students have registered.

NEET Co-ordinator Mithilesh Kumar said that prior to the exam, the process of frisking and bio-metric verification of examinees will be done at the centres from 11 am to 1.30 pm. The students will be allowed entry to exam centres before 1.30 pm and entry is barred thereafter.

Students are asked to strictly follow the instructions mentioned in the hall ticket, he said.

As regards security around the exam centres, Mithilesh Kumar said that the Police Department will deploy a Police Inspector, 3 men and 2 women Police personnel for every centre.

The MCC authorities should ensure cleanliness around the centres and Medical staff should be deployed at the centres for meeting any health emergencies.

KSRTC authorities should operate adequate bus services to facilitate NEET students arrive at their exam centres on time, he said adding that CESC should ensure uninterrupted power supply during exam period.

He further said that wheelchair facility should be provided to physically challenged students appearing for the exam.

NEET Co-ordinator Dr. N.R. Srinath, DC Office Protocol Tahsildar Shivaprasad, Fire Officer Gururaj and others were present.

Ban orders

With the All-India NEET scheduled to take place at 21 exam centres, the City Police have clamped prohibitory orders in 200 mts. radius around all the exam centres tomorrow.

Accordingly, barring the examinees and the exam staff, no other unauthorised persons will be allowed entry to the exam centres and carrying of objectionable articles around the centres is strictly prohibited. Also, all photocopy shops and internet cafes in the vicinity of exam centres are ordered to close down during exam hours.

International Day of Yoga tomorrow

1.20 lakh yoga enthusiasts to perform at 120 centres in Mysuru

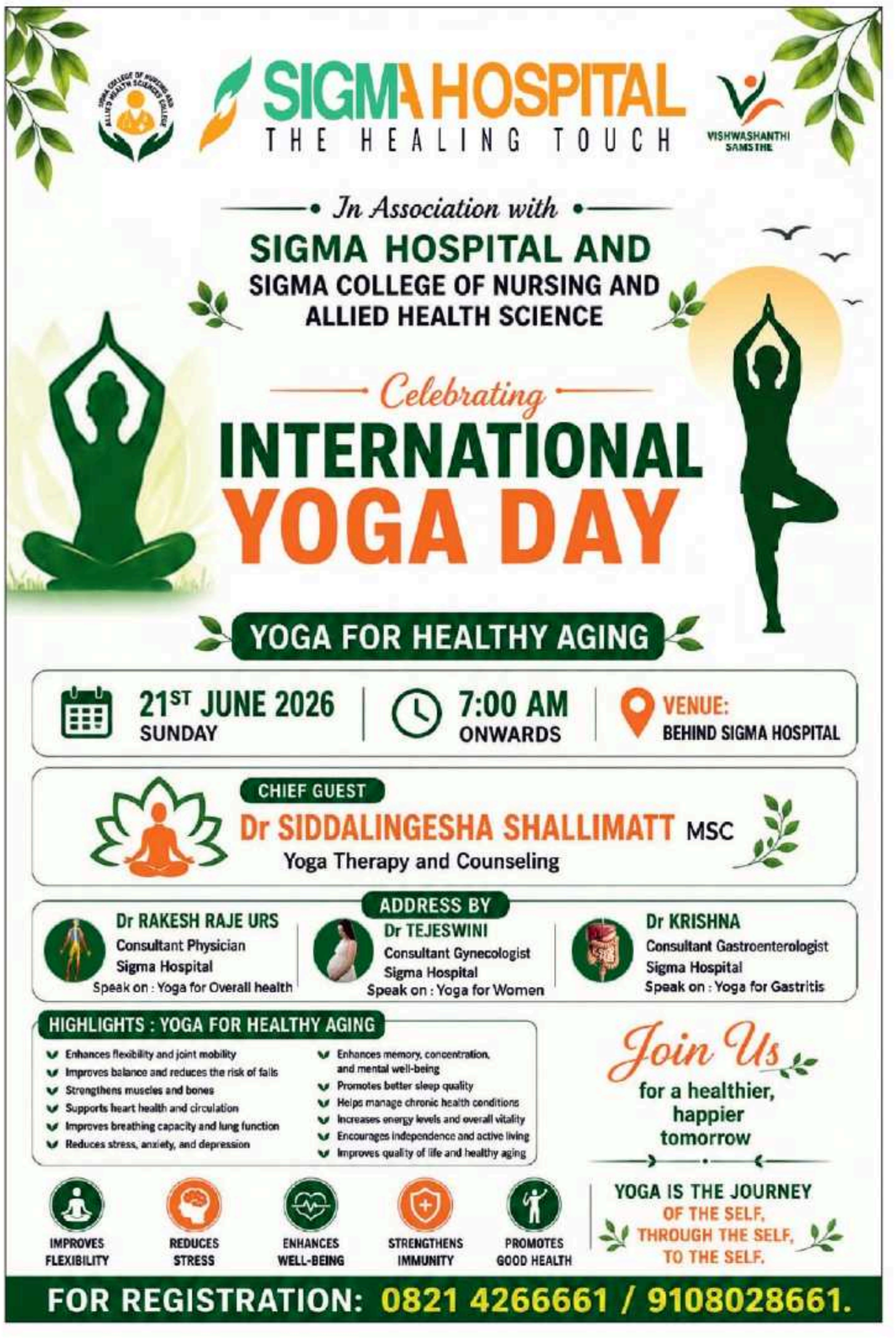
Mysuru, June 20 (VNS)- The District Administration in association with Department of AYUSH, Mysuru ZP, Mysore Palace Board, Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports, Department of School Education, Yoga Federation of Mysore and other organisations, is ready to host the 12th International Day of Yoga in city tomorrow (June 21).

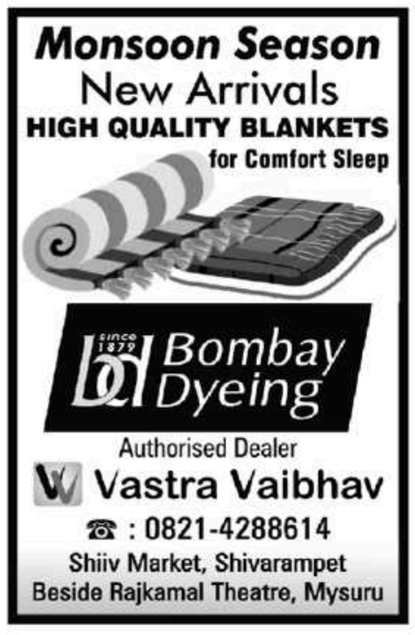
This year, a total of 1.20 lakh yoga enthusiasts are expected to take part in Yoga Day celebrations to be held at 120 centres across the city. The main event, to be held at Mysore Palace premises between 6 am and 8 am, will be inaugurated by Minister for Health and Family Welfare U.T. Khader. Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, Urban Development Minister Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Wadiyar, KR MLA T.S. Srivatsa and others will be present.

The International Day of Yoga observes the Common Yoga Protocol (CYP). This 45-minute standardised routine includes loosening exercises, asanas, pranayama and meditation, designed for all age groups. Yoga Day 2026 focuses on the theme 'Yoga for Healthy Ageing.'

After the stage programme, participants will perform various yogasanas including Tadasana, Vrikshasana, Padahastasana, Ardha Chakrasana, Trikonasana. Bhadrasana, Vakrasana, Sasankasana, Ushtrasana, Ardha Ushtrasana, Makarasana, Bhujangasana, Salabhasana, Uttana Padasana and Savasana. The event will conclude with a peace prayer.

As a prelude to Yoga Day celebrations, Government Nature Cure and Yoga Medical College and Hospital, Government Ayurveda Medical College and Department of AYUSH held a yoga demonstration at Dufferin Clock Tower in city yesterday.





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Vikram Muthanna

Don't fear... Anti-Rowdy Squad is here but...

City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar chairing a meeting of Police Officers to discuss the scope of the Anti-Rowdy Squad.

At last, Mysuru has its Anti-Rowdy Squad. Credit must go to City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar for reviving a service Mysureans have been demanding since 2022. It is a move that is both timely and necessary because the city is changing, unfortunately not for the better.

Mysuru's economic growth, particularly the boom in real estate and money flowing through drug trafficking, has created a new breed of young thugs.

These youths are small-time bullies with big egos, a little money and some political connections. But what makes them a menace to society is their overwhelming and disturbing desire to be feared by all.

They roam the streets with an air of invincibility, eager to pick up fights at the slightest provocation, hoping to earn a reputation as the next *"young don."*

Last year, a youth barged into the office of an MCC Revenue Inspector and assaulted him simply because the official had asked him not to smoke on the premises.

A few weeks earlier, three youngsters allegedly assaulted a middle-aged man for honking at them after they entered a one-way street.

Then there was the disturbing incident near Crawford Hall where two youngsters riding recklessly rammed into an old man's car. When a bystander pointed out that speeding was their mistake, the youths hurled such vulgar abuses and threats in full public view that the public ran away.

Incidents of young men intimidating, waylaying, assaulting and terrorising ordinary citizens are becoming more common. As Mysuru grows, such behaviour will only increase unless dealt with firmly and swiftly.

Unfortunately, over the years, the Police have often treated these incidents as minor scuffles or youthful outbursts.

Complaints are discouraged and the thugs are just given a warning and they walk away with a smirk.

Such acts of leniency is why young thugs have become emboldened in Mysuru.

This is why the *'Anti-Rowdy Squad'* is such an important initiative. But if it is to succeed, its officers must be given something more valuable than just *"free hand"* as our Police Commissioner has said.

What Police need is protection. They need protection from political interference, protection from vindictive transfers and protection from pressure whenever they arrest a rowdy who happens to belong to a politically influential group or community.

The Police can enforce the law only when senior Officers stand firmly behind them. In the early 1990s, the then City Police Commissioner H.R. Kasturirangan, the founder of the Anti-Rowdy Squad, gave this protection and confidence to his Officers.

In 1993, two on-duty constables were attacked near Gayathri Talkies on Chamaraja Double Road. H.R. Kasturirangan responded by creating the Anti-Rowdy Squad led by Inspector K.S. Thammaiah.

More importantly, he gave the squad a free hand and assured them of protection from political pressure. The results were dramatic.

The squad moved aggressively against rowdy-sheeters and criminal gangs. Soon, fear changed sides. It was no longer ordinary citizens who were anxious, it was the rowdies. More importantly, aspiring rowdies thought twice before choosing that path.

Within a year, the atmosphere in Mysuru changed noticeably. The swagger of thugs disappeared. In fact, thugs disappeared from the streets and public confidence returned.

This is the kind of transformation Mysuru needs again. But three safeguards are essential.

First, considering the long-standing and often cosy relationship that allegedly exists between some Police personnel and local criminals, the Government would do well to induct Officers from outside Mysuru district into the Anit-Rowdy Squad. Fresh faces mean fewer compromises.

Second, rowdy-sheeters must be subjected to frequent roll calls and public parade.

Three years ago, when Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth asked rowdy-sheeters to report to the Police Station, some politically influential rowdy-sheeters refused. He then dragged them to the Police Station and made them answer roll call in full media presence. It sent a powerful message to the rowdies and their political masters while instilling hope in citizens.

Finally, the Anti-Rowdy Squad should have a dedicated hotline number. Senior citizens and ordinary citizens must be able to call for help instantly, with Officers reaching the spot on bikes faster than a Police patrol vehicle.

Mysuru has always prided itself on being a gentle city where civility mattered and unfortunately, this has been fading away. Let's hope the Anti-Rowdy Squad can help revive and even preserve that cultured character of our city.

P.S. — While our City Police Commissioner has reintroduced the Anti-Rowdy Squad and given them a free hand, it would be prudent to advice her Officers to refrain from fraternising with law-breakers.

Mysureans very often see Police Officers socialising in bars and restaurants with men of questionable reputation. Nothing erodes public confidence faster.

How can ordinary citizens trust the Police if they see Officers laughing, drinking and dining with the very people they may one day have to complain against?

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Hold monthly meetings

UD Minister orders Mysuru Development Authority

Mysuru, June 20 (DM)- Urban Development (UD) Minister Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah has directed the Urban Development Department Secretary to issue an order directing Mysuru Development Authority (MDA) and other Planning Authorities to hold general meetings once in a month.

Dr. Yathindra

In a letter addressed to the Department Secretary, Vikasa Soudha, Bengaluru, on June 18, Dr. Yathindra said it has come to his notice that the MDA and other Planning Authorities are not holding regular general meetings, which has affected the daily functioning and developmental activities. As such, the Department Secretary has to issue an appropriate circular to the concerned asking the MDA and other Planning Authorities to hold meetings once in a month without fail and to submit a report to the Government on the proceedings of the meetings.

It may be mentioned here that the MDA held its last meeting a fortnight ago, after a gap of several months, which was chaired by Deputy Commissioner G. Lakhmikanth Reddy and attended by the then MDA acting Commissioner K.R. Rakshith.

Issuance of Sale Deed

In another letter addressed to the Department Secretary on June 18, Dr. Yathindra said that it has also come to his notice that several allottees of sites in Layouts such as Vasanthnagar, Lal Bahadur Shastrinagar, Shantaveri Gopalagowdanagar and Lalitadripura which were formed after 2005, have been submitting appeals to MDA requesting for issuance of Sale Deed as they could not build houses in their allotted sites due to various reasons, that chiefly include ill health, ageing and financial constraints, even after the expiry of 10-year Lease-cum-Sale deed issued at the time of allotment.

As such, the Department Secretary is directed to issue an appropriate order to MDA authorities instructing them to collect penalty from such site allottees in the said Layouts and issue Sale Deed. This measure will facilitate MDA to augment its revenue and also help the public, the UD Minister's letter said.

MCC seals 9 restaurants

(Continued from page 1)

Waking up to the alarming situation, Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, who chaired a meeting of various department officials at his office yesterday, with the discussions centring around fire safety measures, had issued instructions to leave no stone unturned in taking action against hotels, restaurants and other commercial centres, in case of any gross violations.

MCC officials attached to Zone-6 Office in Yadavagiri, who got into action in the evening, raided several restaurants, rooftop restaurants in the surroundings of KSRTC Suburban Bus Stand and inspected safety measures in place. Three rooftop restaurants were locked by MCC gangmen, as they were found lacking in any fire safety measures. Strangely, there was no emergency fire exit in place to evacuate customers, in the event of fire mishap.

MCC Zone-6 team was led by Assistant Commissioner (AC) M.S. Pratibha, Development Officer Jagadish, Environment Engineer Mythri, Health Inspectors Manjukumar and Basavaraj, Junior Engineers Mohan, Krishnamurthy and Dhanush.

At MCC Zone-4 limits on Gokulam Main Road in V.V. Mohalla, four restaurants were inspected and two among them were sealed for fire safety violations. The wiring was of substandard quality and the combustible materials that help in spreading fire rapidly, were found in the interiors of the premises, the major reasons behind locking two restaurants, said MCC Officers.

Two other restaurants were issued notice warning action, for inadequate ventilation and have been suggested to follow the rules.

The MCC Zone-4 AC G.S. Mahesh Kumar led the raids, with the team including Development Officer Sathyamurthy, Environment Engineer Sridevi, Health Inspector Prakash and other officers.

Similarly, one restaurant has been sealed in MCC Zone-5 jurisdiction in Vijayanagar and two in Zone-7 at Bannimantap.

One restaurant in Zone-9 on Azeez Sait Double Road (Mahadevapura Main Road), was sealed, as it was being run in the building cellar, sans fire safety, exhaust fan and most importantly, unhygienic premises.

Obituary

Sajeeda Begum

Mysuru, June 20- Sajeeda Begum (66), wife of late Fairooz Ahmed (Janatha Saw Mill, Bamboo Bazar) and a resident of Sawday Road in Lashkar Mohalla, passed away this morning due to brief illness.

She leaves behind a daughter, nine sons including Moulana Abdul Salam Razvi, Khateeb at Masjid-E-Aqsa, Fountain Circle, Mysuru and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza will be performed tomorrow (June 21) at 11 am at Dargahi Masjid on Sawday Road in Mandi Mohalla, followed by burial at Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle, according to family sources.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Under instructions of my Client **Smt. SITHARA K.S.** wife of Sri. Vicky Muthanna B.H. resident of Mutharmudi Village, Murnad Post, Madikeri Taluk, Kodagu District-571 252. negotiating to purchase the property more fully described in the schedule below from its Owner **SRI. PRAVEEN P.R.**, son of Sri. Ravindranathan residing at No. 239, RMP Colony, Yelwala, Mysore 571130. Any person/s, interested parties, claimants, Agreement Holders, Banks, Financial institutions and/or statutory authorities having/asserting any right, title, interest, claims of any nature or any lien, charge, enforceable right or intending to oppose the development and/or has/have any objections of any nature to the aforesaid transaction should lodge such claims or objections in writing to the undersigned together with documentary proof/supporting documents within **SEVEN DAYS** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claims or objections subsist and where after no such claims will be entertained.
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ಶ್ರೀ ಶ್ರೀಕಂಠೇಶ್ವರಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ದೇವಾಲಯ, ನಂಜನಗೂಡು

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3	ದಿ: 28–06–2026 ಭಾನುವಾರ ದಿ: 29–06–2026 ಸೋಮವಾರ ದಿ: 30–06–2026 ಮಂಗಳವಾರ	ಸಂಜೆ: 7.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ	"ಕಪಿಲಾ ನದಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ತೆಪ್ಪೋತ್ಸವ"

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MYSORE WARRIORS

Ready to ROAR... Again

Mysore Warriors team seen with Arjun Ranga, Managing Director, Cycle Pure Agarbathi and Owner, Mysore Warriors, Rx Murali (Head Coach), Vijay Madyalkar (Assistant Coach) and Aditya B. Sagar (Bowling Coach), during the jersey launch event held at Hotel Radisson Blu Plaza on MG Road in city on June 17.

By S.N. Venkatnag Sobers

Season 5 of the Maharaja Trophy Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) T20 is here, and so are the *Mysore Warriors*, champions of the 2024 season, who will be aiming to reclaim the coveted trophy.

Owned by Mysuru-based NR Group, the franchise has become synonymous with the city and its cricketing culture over the years.

The previous season saw established stars such as Karun Nair, Manish Pandey and Prasidh Krishna don the *Mysore Warriors* jersey. However, the 2026 season will see several young faces joining the squad for the first time.

This year, *Mysore Warriors* fans will witness a blend of experience and youth. IPL players Devdutt Padikkal, Vyshak Vijaykumar and Manoj Bhandage will add strength to the side along with K.P. Karthikeya. Joining them are L.R. Chethan, S.U. Karthik, Gowtham Sagar and Deepak Devadiga, all of whom have represented *Mysore Warriors* in previous editions.

The team will be led by Vyshak Vijaykumar, who has spearheaded Karnataka's pace attack alongside Prasidh Krishna. Devdutt Padikkal is expected to join the squad for the final leg in Bengaluru.

Behind the scenes, the coaching staff continue to be a pillar of strength. Head Coach Rx. Murali, currently batting coach of the Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) Women's team and Assistant Coach Vijay Madyalkar, a former Karnataka Ranji cricketer, have played key roles in shaping the franchise since its inception.

Further strengthening the support staff is Aditya B. Sagar, another former Karnataka Ranji cricketer, who joined as bowling coach in 2023. Aditya had earlier represented *Mysore Warriors* in 2014 and subsequent seasons.

Earlier this month, the Maharaja Trophy KSCA T20 Season 5 Player Auction saw the six franchises — *Bengaluru Blasters, Mysore Warriors, Hubli Tigers, Gulbarga Mystics, Shivamogga Yodhas and Coastal Kings Mangaluru* — finalise their squads for the upcoming season.

The tournament will be played across Mysuru, Hubballi and Bengaluru from June 20 to July 12. Mysuru will host 12 matches from June 20 to 25, before the action moves to Hubballi for another 12 matches from June 27 to July 3. Bengaluru will then stage 10 matches from July 5 to 12, including Qualifier 1, the Eliminator, Qualifier 2 and the Final.

For us, players come first, rest is next: Arjun Ranga

Mysore Warriors, owned by Mysuru-based NR Group, manufacturers of Cycle Pure Agarbathi, is among the most sought-after franchises in the Maharaja Trophy. Apart from supporting cricket, the company has consistently backed local sporting talent across disciplines and contributed to several social causes.

For any team, the management plays a crucial role in ensuring players have access to the right infrastructure and facilities. Led by owner Arjun Ranga, Managing Director of Cycle Pure Agarbathi, the *Mysore Warriors* management has focused on providing players with an environment that helps them enhance their skills and express themselves freely on the field. With a refreshed squad assembled at this year's player auction in Bengaluru, *Star of Mysore* caught up with Arjun Ranga to understand the team's composition and the strategy behind the selections.

Star of Mysore (SOM): This year, the management has come up with a new-look team.

Arjun Ranga: It is an amazingly balanced team. We have gone for more young players this year because the KSCA has allowed retentions for the next three years. So, we planned for the future while building this squad.

There are youngsters along with players who have IPL experience. We have selected players who want to make a name for themselves, for the franchise and who are eager to perform at the highest level.

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Feels like coming home: Vyshak Vijaykumar

Mysore Warriors have a new captain in Vyshak Vijaykumar, who has spearheaded Karnataka's pace attack alongside Prasidh Krishna across all formats. Having represented Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) and, more recently, Punjab Kings in the Indian Premier League (IPL), Vyshak has gained valuable experience over the years and is regarded as one of the State's leading pacers.

Ahead of *Mysore Warriors'* opening Maharaja Trophy clash against Shivamogga Yodhas at SDNR Wadiyar Stadium, *Star of Mysore* caught up with Vyshak Vijaykumar to discuss his return to the franchise, leadership responsibilities and expectations for the season.

Star of Mysore (SOM): How does it feel to be back with the Mysore Warriors?

Vyshak: I am really happy to be back. I started my Maharaja Trophy journey with this team when I was just 16 years old. It feels like coming home and I am very excited.

SOM: This year, Mysore Warriors have a new-look team. What is your opinion?

Vyshak: We have a very young side. The players are enthusiastic, as many of them are playing in the tournament for the first time and are eager to express themselves. At the same time, we have experienced players like Manoj Bhandage, Lavish, Ritesh and myself. Karthikeya has also played for India U-19. Overall, we have a good blend of youth and experience.

SOM: How does it feel to be leading Mysore Warriors for the first time?

Vyshak: I have led teams before, including the Karnataka U-16 side and other teams in the Maharaja Trophy. But leading the *Mysore Warriors* is a different experience and a matter of pride. I am someone who enjoys challenges, so I am really looking forward to it.

SOM: What do you have to say about the team management?

Vyshak: Just as many players dream of playing for RCB in the IPL, players in Karnataka feel the same way about *Mysore Warriors* in the Maharaja Trophy. The management has been very professional. Whether it is practice facilities or any other requirement, they ensure everything is taken care of. Every player should experience being part of the *Mysore Warriors* setup.

Moreover, our team owner, Arjun Ranga, spends a lot of time with the team and is always there cheering for the players. Despite his busy schedule, he makes it a point to be with the squad. That is inspiring and a huge morale booster for everyone.

SOM: Being a Mysurean from your maternal side, how does it feel to represent the Mysore Warriors?

Vyshak: Firstly, my mother is very happy that I am part of the *Mysore Warriors*. I have a lot of relatives in Mysuru. Playing here gives me a similar feeling to what I experienced while representing RCB.

SOM: How do you think your IPL experience will help Mysore Warriors?

Vyshak: When I played for Punjab Kings, our captain, Shreyas Iyer, guided me a lot. I closely observed his captaincy, how he made decisions, interacted with players and built team bonding. I will try to implement whatever I have learned from my IPL experience. As I said, I enjoy challenges, and captaincy is another challenge that I have prepared myself for.

CATCH THE LIVE ACTION

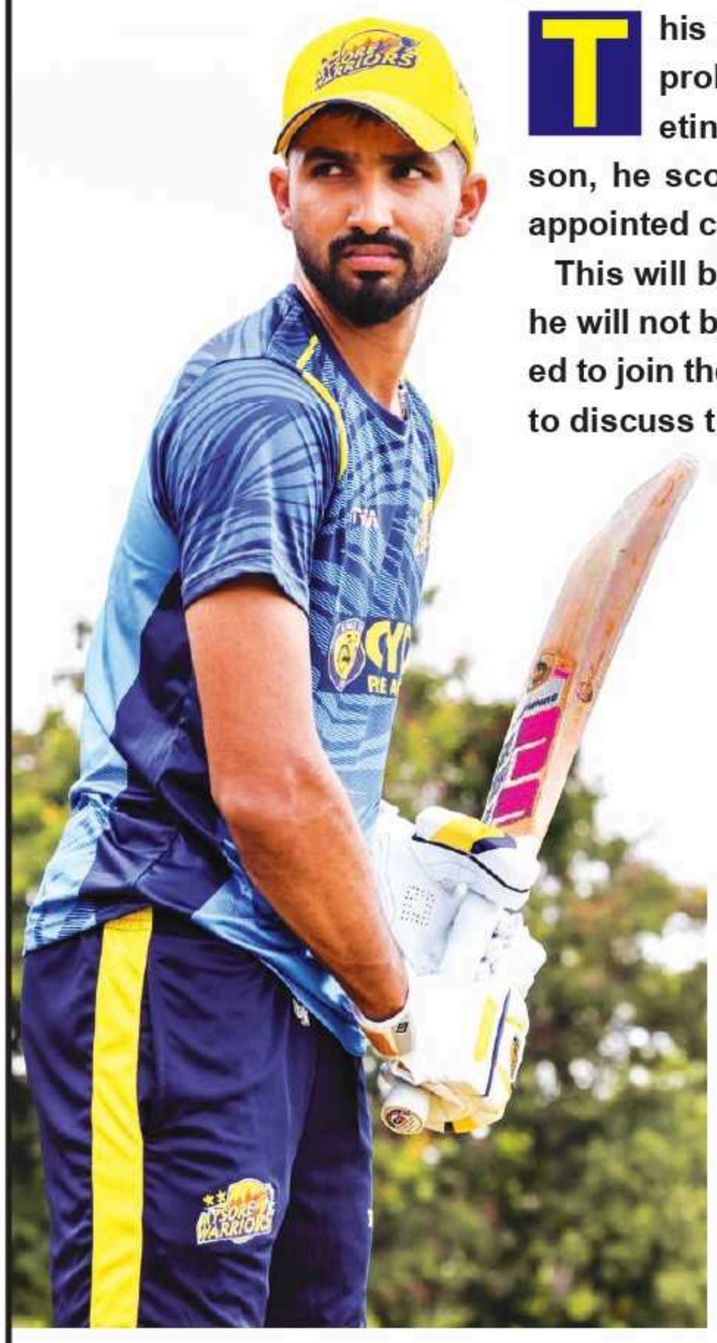
MYSORE WARRIORS **will begin their campaign against** *SHIVAMOGGA YODHAS* **on June 20 at 7 pm at SDNR Wadiyar Stadium in Manasagangothri.**

Catch the live action on *Sony Sports TEN 5* **&** *Sony Sports TEN 4 Kannada*.
The matches will also be streamed live on *FanCode*.

Mysuru Boys as WARRIORS

Vyshak Vijaykumar *S.U. Karthik* *L.R. Chethan* *Gowtham Sagar* *K.S. Lankesh*

Young players must make the most: Devdutt Padikkal



This year, the *Mysore Warriors* have drafted in Devdutt Padikkal, one of the country's most prolific and attacking left-handed batters in the country. Popularly known as 'DDP' in cricketing circles, Devdutt has enjoyed an impressive season so far. Playing for RCB, this season, he scored 464 runs in 16 matches at a strike rate of 168.73. Earlier this year, he was also appointed captain of the Karnataka Ranji team.

This will be the first time Devdutt will don the yellow and blue jersey of *Mysore Warriors*. Though he will not be available for the first two legs of the tournament in Mysuru and Hubballi, he is expected to join the team for the final leg in Bengaluru. *Star of Mysore* caught up with the talented cricketer to discuss this year's team and the tournament.

Star of Mysore (SOM): How does it feel to be playing for the Mysore Warriors?

Devdutt Padikkal: I am looking forward to it. Over the years, the *Mysore Warriors* have been a successful franchise and I am excited to be part of that journey. Hopefully, we will have a good season.

SOM: What do you have to say about the current team?

Devdutt Padikkal: I think it is a good team. We have a few really exciting players, especially at the top of the order with Chethan and S.U. Karthik. They are two explosive batters and I am looking forward to watching them. We also have Vyshak, who brings a lot of experience from the IPL, along with some talented young fast bowlers. So, we are looking forward to seeing all of them perform.

SOM: How do you think T20 tournaments, especially at the domestic level, help budding cricketers?

Devdutt Padikkal: It provides a great opportunity for young players to go out there and show what they are capable of. A lot of people keep an eye on these leagues across the country and it will be the same with the Maharaja Trophy. It is definitely a great platform for everyone to showcase their talent.

SOM: What do you have to say about the Mysore Warriors management, which has emerged as one of the most sought-after franchises?

Devdutt Padikkal: So far, it has been really great. From Arjun sir (owner Arjun Ranga) to Rx (Head Coach Rx Muralidhar) and Maddy sir (Vijay Madyalkar), everyone has been very welcoming. That shows the culture they have built within the franchise over the years. Everyone has only good things to say about them. I am really looking forward to spending time with them as well.

SOM: Your message to Mysore Warriors fans?

Devdutt Padikkal: I have seen that the *Mysore Warriors* are well supported wherever they go and in every match they play. There is always a lot of support, especially with the first leg taking place in Mysuru. I am sure many fans will turn up to back the team. Hopefully, we can put on a good show for them and they enjoy the cricket we play ▪

'For us, players come first, rest is next'

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SOM: What is your take on the T20 format and this year's team balance?

Arjun Ranga: T20 cricket is all about playing aggressive and fearless cricket. Even in bowling, you need wicket-taking bowlers who are willing to use variations and try different things. We felt Vyshak, based on the way he bowled in the IPL, is one of Karnataka's premier bowlers, alongside Prasidh Krishna, who has been playing international cricket.

This year, we have players such as Monish Reddy, an upcoming youngster who has done well at the U-23 level. Then there is Lavish Kaushal, who took the most wickets in the recent D.Y. Patil T20 Tournament, Ritesh Bhatkal, probably the best off-spinner in Karnataka right now, Madhav Bajaj, a left-arm spinner and useful finisher, and mystery spinner Deepak Devadiga, who has been with us before. Likith Bannur has also gone through NCA and ZCA camps. Overall, there is a very good mix of pace and spin in the squad.

SOM: Mysore Warriors has emerged as a franchise players are eager to join. What do you attribute that to?

Arjun Ranga: Players look for access to the best practice facilities. Thanks to the support of KSCA Mysuru Zone Convener Srinivas Prasad, we have been able to provide excellent facilities. The wickets in Mandya and at the SJCE Grounds in Mysuru are really good.

The boys also get exposure to quality coaches like Rx Murali, an IPL-level coach who is currently the batting coach of the RCB Women's team, along with former Ranji players Vijay Madyalkar and Aditya Sagar.

As management, my family, my brothers and all of us invest a lot of time in the players. We are there for them whenever they need us. I think that has helped create a brand of trust. Players see us as a professional franchise where they are at the centre of everything we do.

SOM: Mysore Warriors has always been proactive in identifying catchment players and nurturing local talent. What are your thoughts on that concept?

Arjun Ranga: Catchment players are extremely important. The two players we have selected this year are Gowtham Sagar and K.S. Lankesh, both of whom can play pivotal roles for the team. They fit very well into the balance we are trying to achieve.

Every year, we conduct talent hunts and we continue to see the quality of cricket improving across the Mysuru region. It is only a matter of time before more youngsters come through and establish themselves in the team.

SOM: What are your expectations from the new KSCA Managing Committee in terms of cricket development and infrastructure?

Arjun Ranga: It is a very new management. Soon after taking charge, they had the responsibility of bringing the Royal Challengers Bengaluru back to the Chinnaswamy Stadium, which they handled successfully. They have several challenges on their plate. Personally, I have always supported Karnataka cricket and will continue to do whatever is required. I am sure this committee will also do what is best for the game.

SOM: Your message to Mysore Warriors fans?

Arjun Ranga: Buy your tickets online and come watch your *Mysore Warriors*. We have assembled the best possible team and there are Mysuru boys in the squad this year. They will play a brand of cricket that will make all of you proud. Come and support the Warriors. We are here for you, for the city of Mysuru and to uphold its heritage and legacy ▪

NEWS BRIEFS

'Yoga Taranga' at JCAC tomorrow

As part of International Day of Yoga (IDY) celebrations, 'Yoga Taranga' by Acharya Bharath Shetty has been organised at Jagannatha Centre for Art and Culture (JCAC) in Vijayanagar 1st Stage, Mysuru, from 10.30 to 1.30 pm tomorrow (June 21). The event is free to attend with prior registration. For details, contact Mob: 98860-91291.

Power disruption

As Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) has taken up its first quarterly maintenance works at Kadakola Power Distribution Centre, power supply will be disrupted tomorrow (June 21) between 10 am and 6 pm in the following areas: Kadakola, Kadakola Industrial area, Byathahalli, Sindhuvalli, Dadadahalli, Doddakanya, Chikkakanya, Marase, Makanahundi, Koodanahalli, Kochanahalli, Mandakalli and surrounding areas, according to a press release from the Executive Engineer, CESC, N.R. Mohalla Division.

Evict illegal bar and restaurants: DC

Submit action taken report within one week; Fire Services Dept. to train MCC on fire safety norms to issue trade licence

Mysuru, June 20 (BS)- Taking cognisance of the fire mishap that occurred at a restobar in Dattagalli, leaving two dead and six injured with burns in the incident, Deputy Commissioner (DC) G. Lakshmikanth Reddy has issued stern orders to evict those bar and restaurants operating illegally in temporary structures on the second and third floor of the buildings, without taking any fire safety precautions.

In a meeting of officers held at his office yesterday, DC Reddy said, fire mishaps won't come announced, but most of the roof top pubs and restaurants use hay stack to cover the ceiling and illuminate the premises with ornamental bulbs, caring a hoot to install any fire safety equipment.

Zonal Officers of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) should inspect the liquor vends and cancel trade licence, in case of any violations. The action taken report should be submitted within one week, he insisted.

DC G. Lakshmikanth Reddy addressing the officers during a meeting held at his office yesterday as SP Mallikarjun Baladandi, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar, ZP CEO S. Ukesh Kumar and others look on.

There are several bars and pubs operating illegally in the city and the outskirts, neither without CL-7, CL-2 or CL-5 licences or in gross violation of licencing norms itself. Excise Department should conduct regular inspections and take action as per rules and regulations. If any officers are found lax in discharging their duties, action will be taken without any mercy, he warned.

The officers should act against illegal liquor vends, who are advertising online, only to attract the customers.

The Fire and Emergency Services Department shall be providing one-day training to MCC officers on fire safety norms that should be examined, while issuing any trade licence. Any applications for trade licence without adhering to fire safety regulations, should be rejected at the initial stage, he suggested.

City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar assured cooperation from the Police to Excise and MCC officers, in carrying out the raids.

Superintendent of Police (SP) Mallikarjun Baladandi said that Excise Department should look into the uncontrolled sale of liquor at home stays and bar and restaurants located in Outer Ring Roads (ORRs).

Zilla Panchayat (ZP) Chief Executive Officer (CEO) S. Ukesh Kumar, District Fire Officer Gururaj and others were present.

Cops verify records of bars, pubs and hotels

Mysuru, June 20 (GA,SPN &BS)- Alarmed by the fire accident at a restobar in Dattagalli on June 15 that claimed two lives and left six others injured, the City Police have begun holding meetings with stakeholders in the liquor, hotel and restaurant sectors to verify compliance with official regulations.

As part of the exercise, Vijayanagar Police Station Inspector Raviprasad chaired a meeting of bar and restaurant owners and managers, along with representatives of pubs and hotels operating within the station limits.

During the meeting, officials verified approvals obtained from various departments, including trade licences required for conducting commercial activities. Safety measures in place at the establishments, building designs and the availability of fire-fighting equipment were also reviewed.

The officials also collected copies of No Objection Certificates (NOCs) issued by the Fire & Emergency Services Department, along with documents related to the buildings where commercial activities are being carried out.

Inspection by Excise personnel

The Excise Department personnel too have begun inspection of pubs, bar and restaurants, following the fatal fire mishap at a restobar in Dattagalli.

Under the leadership of Excise Deputy Commissioner (Mysuru Urban) S. Nagarajappa, the Excise Dy.SPs, Inspectors and other personnel, inspected various dabas, bar and restaurants in the jurisdiction of Excise Range-3.

The inspection focused on licence and compliance of licence conditions. The owners of liquor vends have been given strict instructions to follow the rules and regulations, it is said.

Food safety checking drive

Mysuru, June 20 (DM)- DC G. Lakshmikanth Reddy said that Food Safety Officials will carry out a month-long special intensive drive for inspection of the quality of food served and food safety measures taken by roadside street vendors, eateries, small hotels and restaurants.

He was speaking after presiding over a meeting of Food Safety Standards Officials at his office in Siddarthanagar here yesterday.

Directing the officials to be a regular part of the quality checking drives launched by the MCC and other Urban Local Bodies (ULBs), Lakshmikanth Reddy told them to immediately issue a notice to such food sellers who do not follow Food Safety Standards and to recommend suspension of their trade license.

He further instructed to also carry out checks in Star Hotels and other food vends if there are any suspicions about maintenance of Food Safety Standards.

"The officials should ensure that all norms laid out by the Government while issuing trade licence are followed by food sellers. The officials should act preventively by carrying out regular checks so that any mishaps do not occur, rather than taking steps after any mishaps happen. The food sellers on their part, should not use banned substances or additives in food preparation that may cause adverse effects on health of customers and at the same time must take measures for maintenance of hygiene and cleanliness in the vicinity of their business," the DC said and asked the food sellers to strictly follow the instructions/ guidelines given by the Government from time to time.

MCC Deputy Commissioner Somashekar, Food Safety Officer Dr. Ravindra, Kantharaj and other officials were present.

'Government recommended to suspend Excise DC'

Mysuru, June 20 (BLU&BS)- State Excise Commissioner Venkatesh Kumar has said that a recommendation has been sent to the State Government to place under suspension the Excise Deputy Commissioner (Mysuru Urban) S. Nagarajappa, in relation to the recent incident of fire mishap at a restobar in Dattagalli that claimed the lives of two persons, leaving six others injured.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Venkatesh Kumar clarified that while the suspension order has been issued against five Excise Department personnel including the Dy.SP of Excise, exercising the powers vested in me, it is only the Government that is vested with power to take action against the Deputy Commissioner cadre officer. Hence, the recommendation has been sent to the Government to suspend Excise DC, he added.

EVENTS TODAY (JUNE 20)

- **Kalasuruchi:** Kathe Kelona Banni, story-telling by K. Saraswathi, retd. Teacher, KARP Bodyguard Lines Higher Primary School, Mysuru South, Suruchi Rangamane, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm.** [Mob: 92435-81097 or 99459-43115]
- **Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Yadavagiri:** Annual Church Feast-2026, Holy Mass - Rev. Fr. Becket D'Souza, retired Priest, Mysore Diocese, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** Vocal concert by Vid. G.K. Manamohan, accompanied by Vid. Keshav Mohankumar on violin, Vid. Sunadakrishna Amai on mridanga and Vid. Sharath Koushik on ghata, Sangeetha Kalanidhi Mysore K. Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB), Mysuru:** 'Sundara Kanda' by Kalayogi Guru Vid. S. Raghu Nandan and team, BVB Mysuru, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **6 pm.**
- **BSS Vidyodaya, RAAGA Music Academy, Mysuru and Samskara Bharathi:** *Bhagini Raaga Sourabha,* Grand Karnatak Vocal Concert by the talented Vidu. Ashwini Kolikkaje, accompanied by Vidu. U. Thanmayi on violin, Vid. Nandan Kashyap on mridanga and Vid. Srinidhi Koundinya on ghata, BSS Vidyodaya, Krishnamurthypuram, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Krishna Ganasabha:** Memorial Music Concert by Vidu. Anaga Bharadwaj, accompanied by Vidu. Prerana Naveen on violin and Vid. M.C. Sumukashesha on mridanga, Alwar Kala Bhavana, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Mahamedanandaji speaks on 'Living at the Source - Yoga Teachings of Vivekananda' in English, Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Staging of Kannada play 'Swatantryada Ota' by artistes of Rangayana, Shivamogga, the play is based on novel by Bolwar Mohammed Kunhi, adaptation into play by Manjunath Gomaradahalli, directed by Nagaraj Honnavalli & Salma Dandin, Bhoomigeeta auditorium, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Akhila Bharatiya Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru District, Rashtrotthana Sahitya, Vanavasi Kalyana, Manthana Mysuru:** Releasing of book *'Avishranta Dhyeyajeevi — Mai.Cha. Jayadeva: Baduku-Nenapu,'* authored by Babu Krishnamurthy and Belur Sudarshan; Industrialist Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoy releases the book, S. Ramanna of RSS main speaker, Madhava Krupa, JLB Road, **6.30 pm.**
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham:** 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, **(3 Shows) 7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JUNE 21)

- **District Administration, Zilla Panchayat (ZP), Mysore Palace Board, AYUSH Department:** 12th International Day of Yoga (IDY) celebrations, Health & Family Welfare Minister U.T. Khader inaugurates, Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, Urban Development Minister Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah and former Chief Minister Siddaramaiah guests of honour, Krishnaraja MLA T.S. Srivatsa presides, Palace premises, **6 am to 8 am.**
- **Adda - An interactive community:** 'Parisara Habba' celebrations, Solve Boot Camp to help young people build real-world communication skills, Bannimantap Road, opp. Milan Banquet Hall, **7.30 am to 9.30 am.** [Mob: 97910-39363]
- **Deepti Samskrutika Vedike, Ramakrishnanagar:** 12th International Day of Yoga (IDY) celebrations, Yoga-related photo-articles expo at 12 places, felicitation to 12 achievers (1 at each place), Yoga-related Kannada and English books expo; H.V. Ramesh of City Central Library-Kuvempunagar Branch inaugurates, felicitation to *Yoga Ratna* K.S. Mukundan Guruji, Public Library, City Central Library, Kuvempunagar Branch, Vishwamanava Double Road, Kuvempunagar, **10 am.**
- **Jagannatha Centre for Art and Culture (JCAC):** International Day of Yoga (IDY) celebrations, 'Yoga Taranga' by Acharya Bharath Shetty, JCAC, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **10.30 to 1.30 pm.** [Mob: 98860-91291]
- **Mysore Ladies Association, Mysuru:** Silver Jubilee celebrations, Women's Convention for Women Empowerment, Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda inaugurates, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Wadiyar and Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda chief guests, Kalamandira, **10.30 am.**
- **Shreehari Diabetes Foundation:** MP Yaduveer Wadiyar releases the Kannada book 'Madhumeha Manukulada Agochara Shatru,' co-authored by renowned Diabetologists of the city Dr. V. Lakshminarayan and Dr. Suraj Tejaswi; MLA T.S. Srivatsa presides, former Kuvempu Bhasha Bharathi Chairman Prof. Pradhan Gurudatta speaks about the book, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **10.30 am.**
- **Mysore Literary Association:** Dr. Mewa Singh, Primatologist and Ethologist, delivers a talk on 'The Monkey in the Town's Commons,' Kalpakshetra auditorium, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **11 am.**
- **Mysuru Kannada Vedike:** Rajarshi Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Jayanti celebrations, Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) R. Aishwarya inaugurates, thinker K. Kalachennegowda main speaker, SP Mallikarjun Baladandi presents 'Rajarshi Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Award' to achievers from various fields, Hotel Owners Association President C. Narayanagowda and MCCI President Dr. K.B. Lingaraju chief guests, Vedike President S. Balakrishna presides, Freedom Fighters Park, Subbarayanakere, **11.30 am.**
- **Priyadarshana Samskrutika Vedike, Srirangapatna:** Saraswati Samman Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa Memorial Event, Dr. Ajjakkala Girish Bhat and Thinker Vid. G.N. Bhat will deliver the memorial address, Sanskrit Scholar Dr. H.V. Nagaraja Rao chief guest, Journalist Vishweshwar Bhat presides, BSS Vidyodaya Hon. Secretary R. Vasudev Bhat will be present, Padmaja Srinivas Auditorium, BSS Vidyodaya, **4 pm.**
- **Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Yadavagiri:** Annual Church Feast-2026, Annual Feast Day - Most Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao, S.J., Bishop, Mysore Diocese and Concelebrating Priest, **5.30 pm.**
- **Saptaswara Balaga Trust, Mysuru, Kannada Vikasa Shaikshanika Samajika Samskrutika Samsthe, Nrupatunga Kannada School and Karnataka State University & Degree College Retired Lecturers Association, Mysuru Zone, Mysuru:** Prof. B. Somashekar Memorial Music Programme, Hindustani Vocal Concert by Pt. Ramesh Kolkunda Dharwad, accompanied by Pt. Veerabhadraiah Hiremath on harmonium and Pt. Ramesh Dhannur on tabla; Trust President Dr. G. Siddesh presides, Trust Secretary Dakshayani Somashekar and Scholar Prof. S. Shivaji Jois will be present, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **5.30 pm.**
- **SPM Trust - Paramahamsa Yoga Mahavidyalaya, Mysuru, International Yoga School (IYS) and International Yoga Organisation (IYO):** 12th International Day of Yoga (IDY) celebrations, inauguration of 17th batch International Yoga Teachers Training Course Camp, Paramahamsa Yoga Mahavidyalaya, #1691, 7th Cross, next to Yoga Park, E & F Block, Ramakrishnanagar, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, Mysuru:** Special programme titled 'The Ace Quartet of Composers from Mysuru' by Vidu. Dr. T.S. Sathyavathi — vocals by Vidushis Archana Bhoj, Ashwini Sathish, Anjana P. Rao and Lavanya Krishnamurthy, accompanied by Vidu. C.V. Shruthi on violin and Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga, Sangeetha Kalanidhi Mysore K. Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'Sri Ramakrishna Vachanaveda' in Kannada, Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Krishna Ganasabha:** Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Jayanti celebrations, Dr. N. Chandrashekhar, Managing Director, Aditya Hospital, inaugurates; Vocal concert by Vid. N.R. Prashanth, accompanied by Vidu. Veena Suresh on violin and Vid. Tumkur B. Ravishankar on mridanga, Alwar Kala Bhavan, Gokulam, **6 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Staging of Kannada play 'Swatantryada Ota' by artistes of Rangayana, Shivamogga, the play is based on novel by Bolwar Mohammed Kunhi, adaptation into play by Manjunath Gomaradahalli, directed by Nagaraj Honnavalli & Salma Dandin, Bhoomigeeta auditorium, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Natana School of Theatre Arts:** Staging of play 'Kepina Dabbi' by Eranke Theatre troupe, written by Padmanabha Bhat Shevkar, directed by Vinay Shastry, Natana premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Rangavalli, Mysuru:** Staging of Kannada comedy play 'Parameshi Prema Prasanga,' written by Srinivas Prabhu, directed by Raviprasad, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham:** 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, **(3 Shows) 7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.**

Mysore Literary Association to host talk by Dr. Mewa Singh tomorrow

Mysuru, June 20- Prime Minister Professor Dr. Mewa Singh, Primatologist and Ethologist, will deliver a talk on 'The Monkey in the Town's Commons' at an event organised by Mysore Literary Association on June 21 at 11 am at Kalpakshetra auditorium in Vijayanagar 2nd Stage.

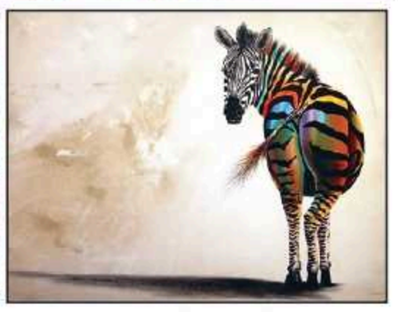
Dr. Mewa Singh

Dr. Singh obtained Master's degree from Punjab University, Ph.D from University of Mysore and training in Wildlife Management from Smithsonian Institution Washington DC, USA.

He has been a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence at Bucknell University Pennsylvania; a teaching assistant at the Smithsonian Institution Washington DC; a Visiting Fellow at the Zoological Society of San Diego USA; Visiting Fellow at the German Primate Centre Gottingen and Cologne Zoo in Germany; Summer Professor in Germany; visiting Lecturer in Malaysia, and a visiting Professor at the Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow.

Dr. Singh has worked in the forests of Himalayas, Western Ghats, Eastern Ghats and Nicobar Islands.

City artist Parameshwara's works on display at Jehangir Art Gallery



Mysuru, June 20 (VNS)- The art works of Mysuru-based artist N. Parameshwara are being displayed at the prestigious Jehangir Art Gallery in Mumbai. The paintings are being displayed at the sprawling Hirji Jehangir Gallery where works of renowned artists such as M.F. Hussain, S.H. Raza, Akbar Padamse and K.K. Hebbar have been exhibited on earlier occasions.

Parameshwara

The solo painting expo was inaugurated by Dr. Kishor Ingle, Director, Directorate of Art, Government of Maharashtra, on June 15. Noted artist and Member of Bombay Art Society Vikrant Manjrekar and artist Sujatha Achrekar were the chief guests. The art works will be on display till tomorrow.

A gold medallist from Sri Chamarajendra Govt. College for Visual Arts (CAVA), Parameshwara has received many accolades including the Karnataka Lalitha Kala Akademi Award (2014), Mysuru Dasara Award (2013) and Indian Royal Academy National Award (2018) among others.

Chess tournament on June 21

Mysuru, June 20- PKD Sports Festival (PKDSF), in association with I Can International School, will be hosting a chess tournament at I Can International School premises on KRS Road on June 21.

The tournament aims to provide a competitive platform for chess enthusiasts of all age group. Organisers have announced an attractive cash prize pool of Rs. 40,000 exclusively for the Open Category. The tournament will be held in U-8, U-10, U-12, U-14, U-16 and Open categories. In addition to the cash prizes for the Open Category, trophies will be awarded to the Top 5 Boys and Top 5 Girls in each category. Every participant will also receive a commemorative participation medal.

For registration, interested may contact Mob: 93439-05316, according to a press release.

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- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
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- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
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- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Urabba - 2 Shows; *KD (K)* - 2 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Blast (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Kaalaghatta - 2 Shows; *Lo Naveena (K)* - 2 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Balan: The Boy (Ta) - 2 Shows; *Balan: The Boy (Ma)* - 2 Shows
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Urabba (K)	(S-2)	10.20 am
Dodmansa (K)	(S-2)	1 pm
Maa Inti Bangaaram (Te)	(S-2)	4.05 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.15 pm
Obsession (E)	(S-3)	10.50 am, 1.15 pm
Noorusami (Ta)	(S-3)	4 pm
Transfer Trimurthulu (Te)	(S-3)	6.50 pm
Chinna Chinna Aasai (Ma)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Cocktail 2 (H)	(S-4)	10 am, 1.05 pm, 4.10 pm 7.15 pm, 10.20 pm

MOVIES AT MYSURU VISION CINEMAS Ph: 2973519

Lo Naveena (K)	(S-1)	1.05 pm
Balan : The Boy (K)	(S-1)	3.35 pm
Balan : The Boy (Ma)	(S-1)	9.15 pm
Blast (Ta)	(S-1)	6.25 pm
Cocktail 2 (H)	(S-2)	1 pm, 3.50 pm, 6.40 pm, 9.30 pm
Peddi (K)	(S-3)	1.15 pm
Peddi (Te)	(S-3)	7.30 pm
Dodmansa (K)	(S-3)	4.45 pm
Maa Inti Bangaaram (Te)	(S-4)	12.45 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.30 pm
Hunted 3D: Echoes of the Past (H-3D)	(S-4)	3.45 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Cocktail 2 (H)	:	9.20 am, 10.10 am, 12.30 pm, 3.40 pm 4.10 pm, 6.50 pm, 10 pm, 10.30 pm
Maa Inti Bangaaram (Te)	:	9.50 am, 1 pm, 7.20 pm, 10 pm
Main Vaapas Aaunga (H)	:	10 am, 3.50 pm
Obsession (E)	:	10 am, 5 pm, 10.20 pm
Nooru Sami (Ta)	:	10.15 am, 7.25 pm
Toy Story 5 (E-3D)	:	12.20 pm, 5 pm, 9.40 pm
Toy Story 5 (H-3D)	:	2.40 pm, 7.20 pm
Blast (Ta)	:	1 pm
Peddi (Te)	:	1.15 pm
Balan: The Boy (K)	:	1.20 pm
Balan: The Boy (Ma)	:	10.10 pm
Disclosure Day (E)	:	4.25 pm
Jai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai (H)	:	7.05 pm
Sing Geetham (Te)	:	7.25 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Cocktail 2 (H)	:	9.50 am, 1 pm, 4.10 pm 7.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Maa Inti Bangaaram (Te)	:	9.50 am, 3.25 pm, 10.20 pm
Obsession (E)	:	9.55 am, 1 pm, 10 pm
Toy Story 5 (E-3D)	:	9.55 am, 12.15 pm 5.20 pm, 7.40 pm
Peddi (K)	:	12.15 pm, 6.35 pm
Nooru Sami (Ta)	:	2.35 pm

Women's Convention to mark Silver Jubilee of Mysore Ladies Association tomorrow

Mysore Ladies Association President Mallige Veeresh** (third from left) releasing the Silver Jubilee invitation at Hotel Siddhartha in city on Friday along with (from left) **Poornima Ramesh, Pushpa Nagaraj, Pavithra Mallikarjun, Vidya Shivakumar and Chandrakala Shivaraj.

Mysuru, June 20 (MTY&VNS)- The Silver Jubilee of Mysore Ladies Association will be celebrated with a "Women's Convention for Women Empowerment" on June 21 at Kalamandira.

Addressing the mediapersons at Hotel Siddhartha here yesterday, Association President Mallige Veeresh said the event will be inaugurated by MLA K. Harishgowda at 10.30 am. Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Wadiyar and MLA G.T. Devegowda will be the chief guests.

Former Advocate General of Karnataka Prof. Ravivarma Kumar will deliver the keynote address. Advocate Sumana will deliver Convention address. Former MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev will be the special invitee.

The special lectures by Prof. Ravivarma and Sumana will create awareness among women on various provisions of law with respect to family dispute, separation among others.

This apart, resource persons will deliver lectures on various women empowerment schemes announced by the government.

On the occasion, the Association will felicitate women achievers including former Minister Geetha Mahadevaprasad, CESC MD M.S. Archana, Additional DC R. Aishwarya, Mysuru Zoo Executive Director P. Anusha and University of Mysore Registrar M.K. Savitha.

The Association has also organised rangoli, drawing and painting, cooking without fire, traditional bride, singing and lucky lady competitions. The valedictory ceremony will be held at 5 pm. Avadhoota Datta Peetham Junior Pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Theertha Swamiji will grace the occasion.

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MOVIES AT MALL OF MYSORE

Cocktail 2 (H)	:	9.10 am, 12.20 pm, 3.30 pm 6.40 pm, 9.50 pm, 10.30 pm
Maa Inti Bangaaram (Te)	:	10.05 am, 1.15 pm, 7.20 pm
Kalasipalya (K)	:	10.30 am
Toy Story 5 (E-3D)	:	10.40 am, 12.55 pm, 5.40 pm 8 pm
Nooru Sami (Ta)	:	1.30 pm
Obsession (E)	:	3.15 pm, 7.45 pm
Sing Geetham (Te)	:	4.25 pm
Balan: The Boy (Ma)	:	4.30 pm
Jilla (Ta)	:	10.10 pm
Peddi (K)	:	10.20 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Cocktail 2 (H)	:	9.50 am, 1 pm, 4.10 pm 7.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Maa Inti Bangaaram (Te)	:	10 am, 3.55 pm, 10.10 pm
Toy Story 5 (E-3D)	:	10 am, 2.40 pm, 8 pm
Educated Bulls (K)	:	11.05 am
Obsession (E)	:	12.15 pm, 10.20 pm
Nooru Sami (Ta)	:	1.10 pm
Urabba (K)	:	1.50 pm
Kaalaghatta (K)	:	4.25 pm
Blast (Ta)	:	5 pm
Dodmansa (K)	:	7 pm
Balan: The Boy (Ma)	:	7.05 pm
Chinna Chinna Aasai (Ma)	:	10 pm

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